



# City of Columbus

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## Legislation Text

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### Background:

This legislation provides for the appropriation of \$47,151.96 from the Recreation and Parks Tree Replacement Fund to purchase trees and other plant materials for the department's comprehensive, citywide street tree planting program. The Tree Replacement Fund is comprised of fees and assessments levied on customers for street tree purchases and for damages to trees that are in the city right-of-way. The biggest share of this fund is used to purchase a variety of tree species and plant materials. Some trees are large and can be planted immediately while plant materials such as seeds and/or seedlings and bare root tree stock items are sent to the Recreation and Parks Nursery where they will grow and mature until they are ready for transplanting.

**Fiscal Impact:** The fiscal impact of this ordinance will be to reduce the Tree Replacement Fund's unappropriated balance by \$47,151.96.

This ordinance is being submitted as an emergency in order to have funding available in March for necessary expenditures.

To authorize an appropriation of \$47,151.96 from the unappropriated balance of the Recreation and Parks Tree Replacement Fund to the Recreation and Parks Department for the purchase of trees and plant materials; and to declare an emergency. (\$47,151.96)

**WHEREAS**, the Recreation and Parks Department has a comprehensive, citywide street tree planting program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tree Replacement Fund consists of fees and assessments levied customers for street tree purchases and for damages to trees that are in the city right-of-way; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the City to authorize any such future deposits as the City may receive into this fund are hereby deemed to be appropriated, and the City Auditor is hereby authorized to pay such amounts thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate said funds so that funding is available in February, 2014 for necessary expenditures;  
**NOW, THEREFORE**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:**

**SECTION 1.** That from the unappropriated monies in the Recreation and Parks Tree Replacement Fund No. 234, and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2014, the sum of \$47,151.96 is appropriated to the Recreation and Parks Department, Department No. 51-01 as follows:

<u>Title</u>	<u>OCA Code</u>	<u>Object Level 3</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Recreation and Parks Tree Replacement Fund	516781	2271	\$ 46,151.96
Recreation and Parks Tree Replacement Fund	516781	5512	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
			\$ 47,151.96

**SECTION 2.** That the monies in the foregoing Section 1 shall be paid upon order of the Director of Recreation and Parks, and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

**SECTION 3.** Any such future deposits as the City may receive are hereby deemed to be appropriated, and the City Auditor is hereby authorized to pay such amounts thereof, in accordance with payments made toward the tree replacement fund.

**SECTION 4.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.